CUSTODIAL COVERAGE FOR EMERGENCIES

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Responsibility

Camp Commander Superintendent Division Chief

On emergencies out of the immediate area of the camp or when situations present increased security concerns, CDCR staff will be dispatched. When security or medical problems arise, CDCR staff will assume custody of the offender(s) as soon as safely possible, thereby ensuring that the rest of the crew can continue on their emergency mission. They will provide crew supervision during crew off-shift status. CDCR supervisory staff are dispatched to assure compliance with California laws and regulations and to coordinate custodial activities. CDCR staff coverage may be modified on emergencies by the Camp Commander/Superintendent of the camp dispatching crews, the CDCR Agency Representative, or the senior Custodial Officer at the scene of the emergency after review and evaluation of the incident (see Section 6563.2).

Custodial staff will be assigned by CDCR in accordance with the camp emergency dispatch operational guideline and map, which will be jointly developed by the CDCR Camp Commander/Superintendent and the CAL FIRE Division Chief, and approved by the Associate Warden, Camp Operations, at the parent institution/Superintendent. It shall be the responsibility of the CDCR Camp Commander/Superintendent and CAL FIRE Division Chief to maintain the Dispatch Guide and map. The following guidelines will be utilized by the Camp Commander/Superintendent or CDCR person in charge to evaluate CDCR coverage needs.

- 1. Is the emergency close to a residential area?
- 2. Is the emergency on or near a busy highway?
- 3. Will crews go out for an extended length of time?
- 4. Can a reduced staff handle CDCR requirements?
- 5. Will the crew remain overnight?
- 6. Will the crew sleep at an incident base, staging area, armory, or beside the road?
- 7. Will meals be taken at a camp, an incident base, or restaurant?
- 8. Will both female and male offender crews be

 assigned to the incident? 9. Will both youth and adult offender crews be assigned to the incident? 10. Will both CDCR/CAL FIRE crews and Federal crews be assigned to the incident? 11. Will the fire be in an area where marijuana has been reported growing or there has been a past history of marijuana growing in the area? 12. Will the fire be in an area where known illegal drug labs or other illegal drug activity has occurred? 13. Is the incident located in an area unfamiliar to
13. Is the incident located in an area unfamiliar to camp staff?

The factors listed above must be considered each time CDCR staff is dispatched to an emergency situation. However, only the amount of CDCR staff necessary to deal with custodial concerns that have been specifically identified are to be dispatched.

Custodial staffing in excess of the levels agreed upon in the operational guideline must be specifically justified on the FC-77.

Dispatch Guidelines:

Туре	Minutes	Custodial Coverage
Local	0- 30	No coverage
Intermediate	30-120	Delay normal coverage two hours to the fire. (In accordance with the coverage guidelines listed below, custody staff should be dispatched to arrive at the fire two hours after the offenders' arrival)
Long Distance	120 +	Immediate dispatch of normal coverage.

Guidelines for Normal CDCR Coverage:

Single Resource Dispatch	One officer per crew and one supervisor per three to five crews. For dispatching of single resources versus strike teams or task forces, see Section 6560.1.2 (Dispatch Configuration for Fire Crews)
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Strike Team/Task Force	Same as for "Single Resource Dispatch"
Dispatched Within Home	
Unit	

	One officer per crew and one supervisor per strike team/task force.
Mobile Kitchen Unit (MKU)	One officer and one supervisor. If supervisor is unavailable, two officers shall be used.
Incident Support	One officer per 10 offenders

There may be ongoing custodial considerations, such as population density within the area normally covered by the camp's project work, which will necessitate other than normal dispatch and custodial coverage and will require modification of local, intermediate, and long distance boundaries. The camp's dispatch guide must attempt to delineate these locations. The dispatch map must also delineate the boundaries for local, intermediate, and long distance emergency responses.

On specific emergency assignments, the CDCR Camp Commander/Superintendent or CDCR person in charge shall modify established dispatch and coverage guidelines to adjust custody to the appropriate level for existing conditions. Significant variations from the standard custody level will be documented in the Comment section of the FC-33C and noted in the Camp Register/log.

On emergencies where there is no information concerning custodial needs, CAL FIRE will advise the Camp Commander/Superintendent, or the CDCR person in charge at the time of the dispatch, of the crew's destination.

Note: All Department of Finance audits concerning custody issues are to be directed to CDF Sacramento, Camp Operations Section, for transmittal to DJJ Institutions and Camps Office for justification.

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